

# Problem A:

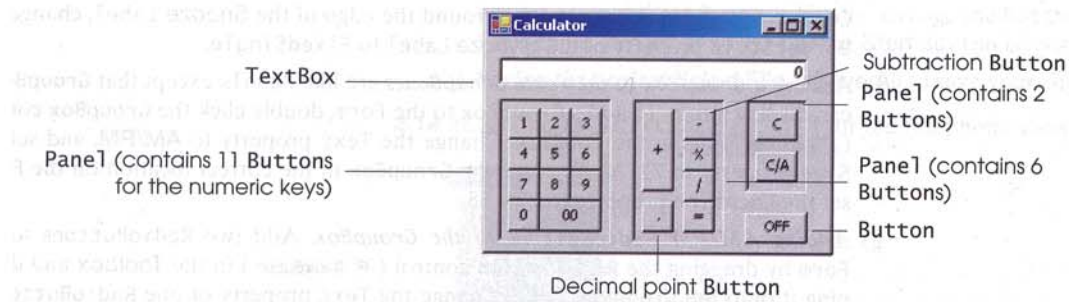




Figure 3.33 Calculator GUI.

Because you are creating only GUIs, your applications will not be fully operational. For example, the **Calculator GUI** in Exercise 3.11 will not behave like a calculator when its Buttons are clicked. You will learn how to make your applications fully operational in later tutorials. Create each application as a separate project.

**3.11 (Calculator GUI)** Create the GUI for the calculator shown in Fig. 3.33.

- a) **Creating a new project.** Create a new **Windows Application** named **Ca**lculator.
- b) **Renaming the Form file.** Name the Form file **Ca**lculator.vb.
- c) **Manipulating the Form's properties.** Change the **Size** property of the Form to 272, 192. Change the **Text** property of the Form to **Ca**lculator. Change the **Font** property to **Tahoma**.
- d) **Adding a TextBox to the Form.** Add a **TextBox** control by double clicking it in the **Toolbox**. A **TextBox** control is used to enter input into applications. Set the **Text** property of the **Text**Box's **Text** property in the **Properties** window to **0**. Change the **Size** property to 240, 21. Set the **Text**Align property to **Right**; this right aligns text displayed in the **Text**Box. Finally, set the **Text**Box's **Location** property to 8, 16.
- e) **Adding the first Panel to the Form.** **Panel** controls are used to group other controls. Double click the **Panel** icon (  ) in the **Toolbox** to add a **Panel** to the Form. Change the **Panel**'s **BorderStyle** property to **Fixed3D** to make the inside of the **Panel** appear recessed. Change the **Size** property to 88, 112. Finally, set the **Location** property to 8, 48. This **Panel** contains the calculator's numeric keys.
- f) **Adding the second Panel to the Form.** Click the Form. Double click the **Panel** icon in the **Toolbox** to add another **Panel** to the Form. Change the **Panel**'s **BorderStyle** property to **Fixed3D**. Change the **Size** property to 72, 112. Finally, set the **Location** property to 112, 48. This **Panel** contains the calculator's operator keys.
- g) **Adding the third (and last) Panel to the Form.** Click the Form. Double click the **Panel** icon in the **Toolbox** to add another **Panel** to the Form. Change the **Panel**'s **BorderStyle** property to **Fixed3D**. Change the **Size** property to 48, 72. Finally, set the **Location** property to 200, 48. This **Panel** contains the calculator's **C** (clear) and **C/A** (clear all) keys.
- h) **Adding Buttons to the Form.** There are 20 **Buttons** on the calculator. To add a **Button** to a **Panel**, double click the **Button** control (  ) in the **Toolbox**. Then add the **Button** to the **Panel** by dragging and dropping it on the **Panel**. Change the **Text** property of each **Button** to the calculator key it represents. The value you enter in the **Text** property will appear on the face of the **Button**. Finally, resize the **Buttons**, using their **Size** properties. Each **Button** labelled 0-9, x, /, -, = and . should have a size of 24, 24. The **00** and **OFF** **Buttons** have size 48, 24. The **+** **Button** is sized 24, 64. The **C** (clear) and **C/A** (clear all) **Buttons** are sized 32, 24.
- i) **Saving the project.** Select **File > Save All** to save your changes.